



# The Viking Voice

***Squadron of Merit and Unit of the Year 2000***

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## CAP KUDOS

### Recent Promotions

MAJOR Ray Otto  
CAPTAIN Deanne Otto  
C/1LT Andrew Atkins

### Recent Qualifications

1LT Ronn Winkler, Scanner

### Leadership Ribbons

LTC Paul Thompson, Plans  
CPT Joan Kistner, AE  
1LT Mark Helseth, Ops  
2LT Jeff Cahn, Finance  
2LT John Mawer, Admin.  
2LT Scott Zeimer, Logistics

If anyone was missed please alert 1LT Al Matson for inclusion in next month's *Viking Voice*.

We welcome you to submit articles for inclusion in the *Viking Voice*. You may submit them via e-mail to:

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Article by: 1LT Al Matson

A smiling Maj. Doug Kilian was called to the platform at the recent MN Wing Conference to receive his award as the North Central Region Senior Member of the Year. Due to his continuing outstanding efforts in all aspects of his CAP career, he was chosen from among many highly qualified candidates for this honor.

Maj. Kilian grew up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and joined CAP in 1990. As a cadet he rose to the rank of Cadet Colonel. In 1998 he became a senior member, which because of his advanced standing as a cadet meant that he was awarded the rank of Captain.

Last year, while serving as Viking Squadron Deputy Commander for Cadets, Maj. Kilian earned the Minnesota Wing Senior Member of the Year award. He is one of our most highly qualified members, and currently serves Viking Squadron as the Emergency Services Officer.



**Major Doug Kilian receiving his award.**

Nice work Major! You are a big part of why we are proud to be Vikings!

Dates to Remember:

**15-23 June 2002:** Mark your calendars now! The 2002 Minnesota Wing Summer Encampment is coming.

**23-29 July 2002:** AirVenture Oshkosh 2002, the 50th anniversary of this tremendous aviation get-together promises to be huge!

**10-12 August 2002:** 75th Anniversary Celebration of Lindbergh's Return to Little Falls.

# Viking Award Winners

LTC Barney Uhlig is seen here receiving his award as the **Minnesota Wing Senior Member of the Year**. As one of the most highly qualified members in the Minnesota Wing, LTC Uhlig has devoted a tremendous amount of his time to ensuring quality training for other senior members, as well as cadets. His efforts at putting together the multi-squadron training exercises this last year has certainly been appreciated by many within the Wing. He has participated in virtually every aspect of squadron operations as well, to the betterment of all in the squadron.

## NICE WORK LTC UHLIG!



In the photo to the right you see Capt. Joleen Stadskev and 1LT Al Matson holding up the awards they received at Wing Conference. Capt. Stadskev earned her award as the **Minnesota Wing Administration Specialist of the Year** for her tireless efforts at keeping squadron paperwork flowing. It was a Herculean effort considering the growth rate of our squadron. Lt. Matson earned the award for **Minnesota Wing Aerospace Education Specialist of the Year** for his efforts in the cadet aerospace education program at Viking.

## KUDOS TO CAPT STADSKLEV and 1LT MATSON!



The Banwarts earned more recognition for Viking Squadron. 1LT Mark Banwart was awarded the **Minnesota Wing Communications Specialist of the Year Award** and C/Cpt Ben Banwart earned the title of **Minnesota Wing Cadet Communicator of the Year**. Their contribution in equipping and training others, and in participation in the Minnesota net operations earned them these honors. (sorry...no photo available)

## WAY TO GO BANWARTS!



Yet another award earned by Viking Squadron members was for **Minnesota Wing Family of the Year**. The Erickson family (Jim, Kathy, Kalli, Tucker and Stevi) was recognized for all the effort they put into CAP programs. Their contribution to squadron activities is highly appreciated. Personally, I think it was the comment about those great cookies they bring for orientation flight pilots that cinched the award. (sorry...no photo available)

## NOW THERE IS AN AWESOME FAMILY!





## Vikings at Minnesota Wing Conference



Pictured left to right: 1LT Al Matson, LTC Barney Uhlig, C/TSgt Brett Stadsklev, Maj. Brent Halweg, Capt. Joleen Stadsklev, LTC Paul Thompson, Maj. Doug Kilian, SM Pam Russell, C/SSgt Paul Wellumson, C/TSgt Greg Matson (rear), Maj. Shannon Bauer, C/TSgt Brian Rutt, C/1LT Andrew Atkins, 1LT David Rutt and C/CMSgt Nate Dorr.

As can be seen from the smiles on their faces, a great time was had by all that attended the 2002 Minnesota Wing Conference. In addition to receiving awards, members use there time to meet other members from around the Wing and attending presentations on CAP specialties. If you weren't able to attend this year, make plans for next year. You'll be glad you did!

# Viking Squadron June Calendar

## 4 JUNE 2002 AWARDS CEREMONY.

(IN LIEU OF MEETING)

U of D: Mess Dress/Class A

Location: Richfield American Legion, 67th Street and Portland Avenue

Families invited.

## 6 JUNE 2002 VALLEY CADET CHANGE OF COMMAND.

Valley Squadron will be hosting a Cadet Change of Command on Thursday, June 6, 2002, at Burnsville City Hall, Burnsville, MN. C/Maj. Aaron Scicluna will pass command to C/Lt. Dan Nordin. You are cordially invited to attend this ceremony.

## 7-9 JUNE 2002 CHECKRIDE WEEKEND.

Form 5 pilots and mission pilots needing checkrides can schedule these this weekend and get reimbursed from MN Wing.

## 8-9 JUNE 2002 GROUND TEAM SAR.

Second annual Minnesota Wing ground team training SAR. If you're trying to obtain a 101 card as ground team member, ground team leader or radio operator, plan on attending this event. Most likely, Viking will be participating Saturday -- meeting at the van around 7:30 a.m. Location is Pine County.

## 8-9 JUNE 2002 GROUP 2 SAR.

SAR scheduled at St. Cloud Squadron.

## 11 JUNE 2002 MEETING.

U of D: Utility

Location: BCC

1900 hours: Safety/All/D. Rutt

1915 hours: Cadet Alpha Flights/Emergency Services/Kilian

Senior Training Flight/Customs & Courtesies/Uhlig

Cadet Alpha Flight/Customs & Courtesies/Russell

Newcomers Briefing/K. Bauer

Testing/Sroka

2000 hours:

Seniors/Flight Time

Cadets/Flight Time

2045 hours:

Commanders' Call/S. Bauer

## 18 JUNE 2002 SENIOR-ONLY DINNER/MEETING.

*Because almost all cadets will be at encampment, we will not have our normally scheduled meeting.*

U of D: Civilian Clothes

Location: Fort Snelling Officers' Club (tentative)

Dinner followed by staff meeting.

## 25 JUNE 2002 MEETING.

U of D: Blues

Location: BCC

1900 hours: Senior Flight/Pilots & Operations Meeting/Delegard

Cadet Flight/Moral Leadership/T. Dull

Senior & Cadet Training Flights/General ES/Halweg

Newcomers' Briefing/K. Bauer

Testing/Sroka

2000 hours: Senior Flights/Aerospace Education/J. Kistner

Cadet Flights/Aerospace Education/D. Otto

2045 hours: Commanders' Call/S. Bauer

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## June Birthdays!!

Maj. Shannon Bauer  
1LT Ronn Winkler  
2LT Mark Helseth  
C/SrAmn Brandon Fish  
C/A1C Stevi Erickson  
C/Amn Ben Cahn



If we missed listing you or we listed you incorrectly, please contact 1LT Al Matson to update the roster.